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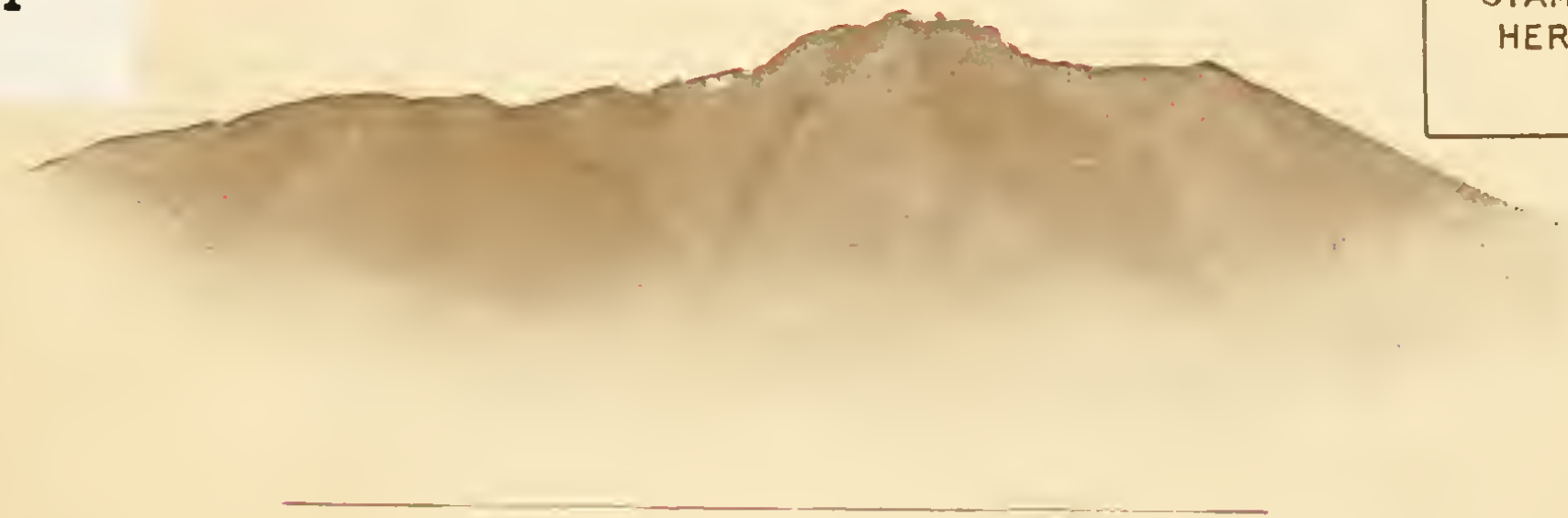

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A Trip Over the Crookedest Railroad in the World. Mt. Tamalpais.

Mount Tamalpais, California, 2592 feet in height, stands guard at the entrance to San Francisco bay. The trip from San Francisco to the summit is made in about two hours. Leaving the Union Ferry Depot, the ferry boat skirts the wharves of the metropolis affording an excellent view of the shipping and the many points of interest such as Telegraph Hill, with its houses clinging to the edge of precipitous cliffs, Fort Mason and the Presidio, with its military aspect, the Golden Gate, Alcatraz Island with its military prison and fortifications, Angel Island, Lime Point and the Government Reservations to the right, where on the bluffs above are seen the mammoth disappearing guns of the coast defense. Arriving at Sausalito, the picturesque city built upon the hillside, change is made to a third rail electric railroad, the first of its kind in the state. A six mile trip along the shores of Richardson's bay brings the traveler to Mill Valley at the foot of Tamalpais where change is made to the observation cars of the Tamalpais Scenic Railroad. The trip up the mountain is now commenced. The train enters a forest of redwood trees for which California is famous, winding its tortuous way up the Blithedale canyon, swinging back across the face of the mountain, leaving below the towering redwood trees and wooded canyons and affording magnificent views of the surrounding country. There are 281 curves in a distance of eight and one-fifth miles. The longest piece of straight track is 413 feet. At the Double Bow Knot the track parallels itself five times in a distance of 300 feet. The average grade is 5 per cent, the maximum 7 per cent. The Tavern of Tamalpais is situated near the summit in a sheltered nook and is open all the year. From the top of Tamalpais a vast panorama is seen. The Sierra Nevada mountains, 155 miles distant, Mt. Hamilton to the South, Mt. Diablo to the East, Mt. St. Helena with its gray volcanic cone 56 miles to the North, while at one's feet lie the great metropolis, the cities about the bay, the Pacific Ocean, the Farallones and other points of interest.

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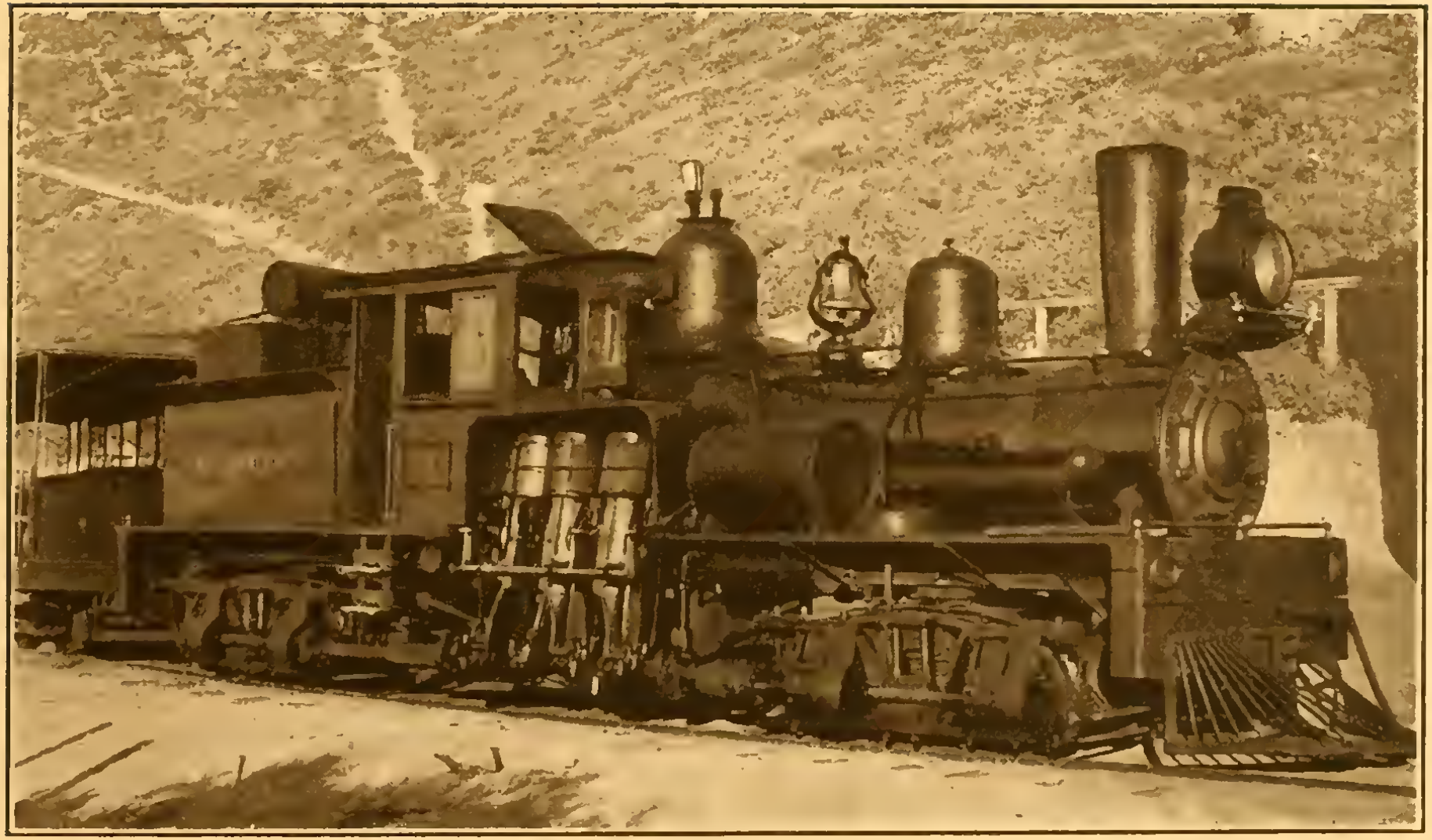
ON SAN FRANCISCO BAY. THE GOLDEN GATE IN THE DISTANCE

PASSING ALCATRAZ ISLAND. UNITED STATES MILITARY PRISON

LOOKING TOWARD MT. TAMALPAIS FROM THE BAY OFF SAUSALITO



THE MOUNTAIN CLIMBING ENGINE, SHOWING PECULIAR CONSTRUCTION

MT. TAMALPAIS AS SEEN FROM PICTURESQUE MILL VALLEY

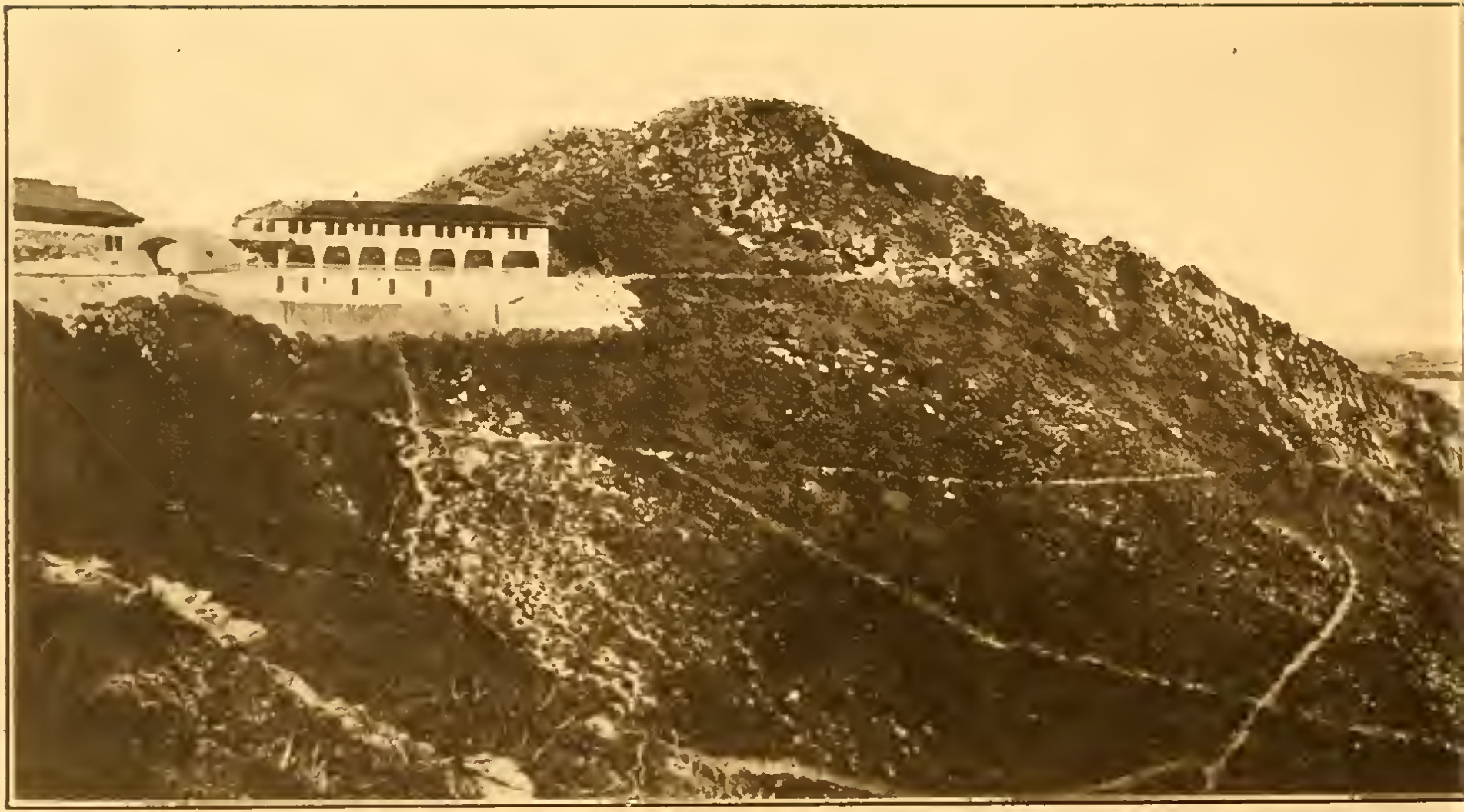
THROUGH THE REDWOOD GROVES OF BLITHEDALE CANYON AFTER LEAVING MILL VALLEY

MAKING ALMOST A COMPLETE CIRCLE ON THE CROOKEDEST RAILROAD IN THE WORLD

FIRST GLIMPSE OF THE BAY AFTER LEAVING BLITHEDALE CANYON

CROSSING A TRESTLE ON THE TORTUOUS ROUTE TO THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN

THE FAMOUS DOUBLE BOW KNOT, THE "CROOKEDEST" PART OF THE ROAD



TAVERN OF TAMALPAIS SUMMIT OF MT. TAMALPAIS POINT RICHMON

PANORAMA FROM THE

MT. DIABLO SAN FRANCISCO BAY DOUBLE BOW KNOT PACIFIC OCEAN

? OF MT. TAMALPAIS

LOOKING FROM THE SUMMIT OF MT. TAMALPAIS TOWARD SAN QUENTIN

THE OLD WOMAN'S HEAD. A PROFILE ROCK FOUND NEAR THE TAVERN OF TAMALPAIS

VIEW FROM THE SUMMIT SHOWING THE DOUBLE BOW KNOT ON THE MOUNTAIN

THE SUMMIT OF MT. TAMALPAIS AS SEEN FROM BOLINAS RIDGE

FACIAL ROCK FOUND ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF MT. TAMALPAIS BELOW THE SUMMIT

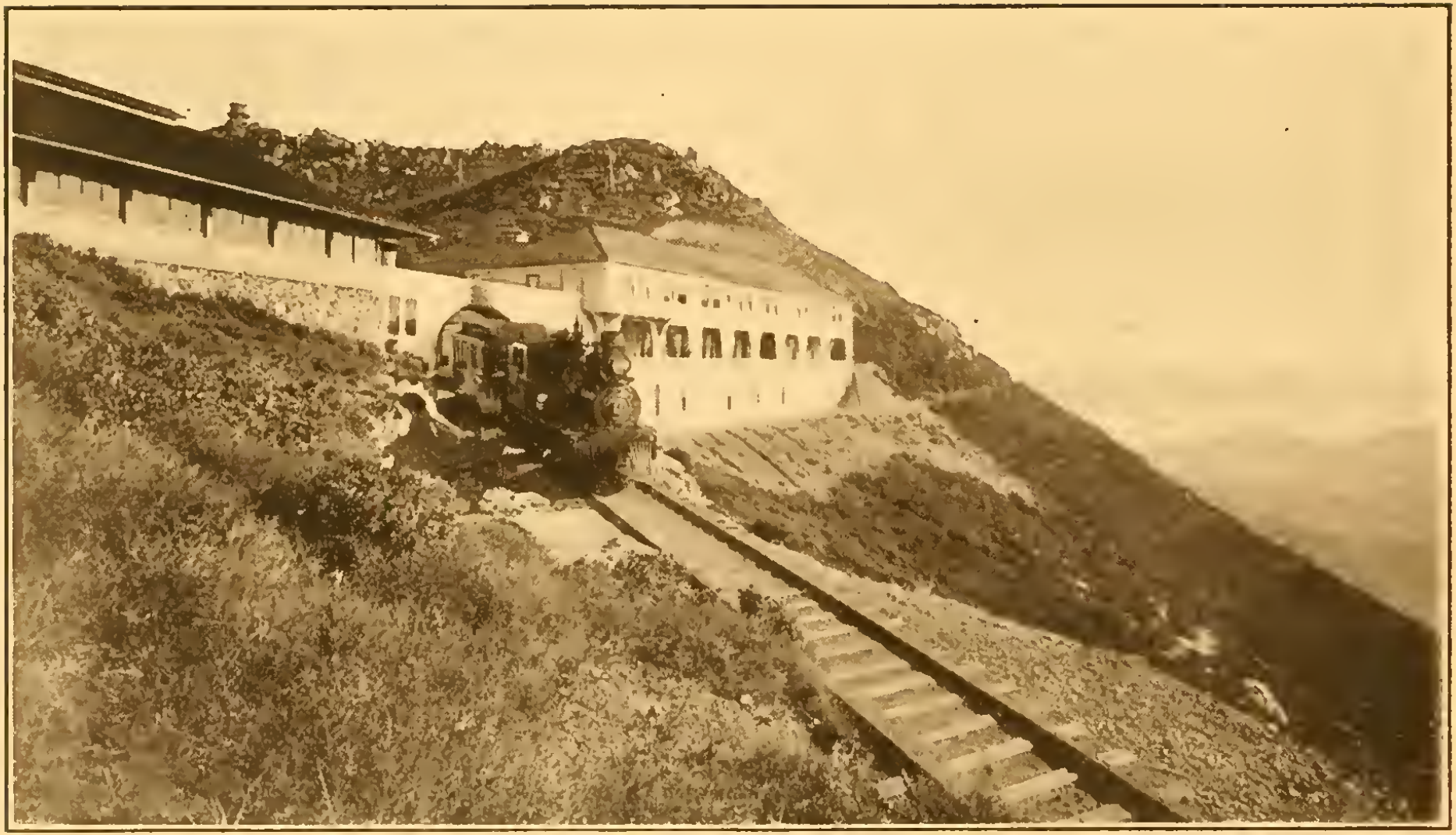
VIEW FROM THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN LOOKING TOWARD SAN FRANCISCO

LOOKING TOWARD LAKE LAGUNITAS FROM THE TOP OF TAMALPAIS

THE SUMMIT OF MT. TAMALPAIS. 2592 FEET ABOVE THE LEVEL OF THE SEA

LOOKING TOWARD SAN RAFAEL AND THE NORTH FROM THE MOUNTAIN TOP

THE DYING DAY AS SEEN FROM THE TAVERN OF TAMALPAIS ON THE SUMMIT



LEAVING THE TAVERN OF TAMALPAIS FOR THE RETURN TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO

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